

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TARPORLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE ROOM ON Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2006**

PRESENT: Councillors E Boynes, R Brierley, L Burrows, R Craven, J Foden, J Greenwood, T Hill (Chairman), G Lees, K Parker, T Spark (Vice-chairman), J Wall.

1. Open Forum: Members of the press & public were present but there was no public discussion.
2. Start of formal business, Apologies: Apologies received from Cllr H Nickson.
3. Declarations of interest: Cllr Greenwood declared a personal interest in item 12 – 1542,1716
4. The minutes of the meeting of the 11th September 2006 were approved and signed.
5. Update on matters resolved at earlier meetings not on this Agenda; In the Community Pride awards the village has been awarded the Cheshire Constabulary Community Safety Award; new High Street lamp lanterns being installed by CCC and new litter bins by VRBC; local MP Stephen O'Brien will switch on the Christmas lights and Cllr Parker has arranged the Eaton Choir; VRBC confirm we will be informed of licensing applications; CCC will not plant shrubs in lieu of grass on roadside verges due the on going maintenance issues they would present.
6. Vale Royal Borough Councillor's Report on matters affecting the Parish: The next Area Meeting is at Tarporley High School on the 26<sup>th</sup> Oct at 7:00pm, the excellent performance of the VRBC recycling initiative was discussed.
7. Hanging Baskets: Regarding the advice from CCC that flower baskets on the current lamp standards are not acceptable on Health and Safety grounds Councillors expressed concerns over the general safety of the lamp standards; It was resolved that the Clerk would write to CCC expressing the Council's dissatisfaction with the situation and requesting CCC replace the lamp standards with some capable of supporting flower displays to ensure that the village can continue its tradition of the High Street summer flower display. It was noted that the BKV group would meet with VRBC to explore summer flower display options.
8. Precept 2007/08: Costs for a heritage style bus shelter to be sought. Budget group to meet prior to the next Council meeting.
9. ACCOUNTS: a) The Councillor's expenditure and income statements were received and approved and it was noted that Cllr Spark had checked the accounts

b) The following accounts were approved for payment

St Helens Church	Churchyard maintenance grant (under LGA 1972, s214)	chq2155	900.00
RNIB Transcription Cntr	Transcription activities grant (under LGA 1972, s137)	2156	100.00
J Macdonald	Net Wage Sept. (under LGA 1972, s112)	2157	513.20
J Macdonald	Office expenses Sept. (under LGA 1972, s111, s133,)	2158	58.93
Aries	Bus Hire Sept. (under LGRA 1997, s27)	2159	153.78
G Fowles	Handyman Sept. (under HA 1980, s43, 50,96,144, LGA 1972 s214	2160	229.00
-	PCA 1957 s1)	-	-
G Steele	Street Cleaning Sept (under LGA 1972, s137) standing order	SO	300.00
R Johnson	Footpaths Sept (under HA 1980, s43, 50, 96)	2161	398.00
Community Centre	Room Hire Sept (under LGA 1972, s133)	2162	18.00
ETC	Mower hire for cemetery (under LGA 1972, s214 (2))	2163	88.12
Connevans	Connectors / leads / test box for Community Centre PA (under LGA	2164	100.60
-	1972, s133)	-	-
Groundwork Trust	Playground phase 2 part 1 (under LG (MP) A 1976, s19)	2165	5425.20
RBL	Poppy Wreath (under LGA 1972, s137)	2166	100.00

It was resolved that the street cleaning and Poppy Wreath and RNIB grant be paid under LGA 1972 s137 as being in the interest of, and to the benefit of, local inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure.

Income noted: The half year precept of £16,500; interest on the deposit account of £176.81; the Cheshire Constabulary Community Safety Award of £250.00

c) No claims for Parish Plan expenses.

**10. HIGHWAYS, STREET LIGHTING, STREET SCENE & PLAYGROUND:**

- a. The Clerk presented Cllr Nickson report on highway matters. A letter of thanks is to be sent to the Tarporley C of E Primary School following the visit by Councillors.
- b. It was noted that the footpaths contract was running much higher than budget due to catching up from the previous contract shortfall and the need to undertake manual weeding. It was noted that the Handyman was making a good recovery and would be returning to work
- c. It was noted that the contractor was undertaking some minor completion work.

**11. Correspondence and Any Other Business: for information only or to be placed on the next agenda.**

- a. Blue Plaque: Regarding a plaque for Mr E Porter, it was noted that this would be considered when supported through the English Heritage scheme.
- b. The participation of Cllr Craven in the Meningitis Trust sponsored walk was noted.
- c. A letter on the current activities of the Storehouse Church was noted
- d. The designation of the Police Station, Old Fire Station and the Hearse House as Grade II listed buildings was noted.

- e. A copy letter regarding the use of the Scout Hut was noted.
- f. VRBC Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report Consultation was passed to Cllr Boynes.
- g. The Police Forum is on the 1<sup>st</sup> Nov at 7:00pm at the Community Centre.
- h. The VRBC OSCAR display will be at the Community Centre on the 5<sup>th</sup> December and Councillors are invited to support the event.

12. PLANNING: a) It was resolved that the following comments be made under TCPA 1990 Sch1 s8:

APP No	Location	Proposal	Comments
06-1525	18 Millfield Lane	Conservatory to rear	No Obj.
06-1535	Portal Golf Club	Amendment to 2003/1387 to add Port Cochere feature	No. Obj. conds
06-1542	2 South Close	Demolition of bungalow and replace with 2 storey dwelling	No. Obj. conds
06-1716	2 South Close	Demolition of bungalow and replace with 2 storey dwelling	No. Obj. conds

b) The following VRBC decisions were received and noted.

APP No	Location	Proposal	Comments
06-1479	115 High St (SPAR)	Installation of CCTV cameras (retrospective)	Granted
06-1362	Adjoining 44 High St	COU passageway and rear extn to form retail unit	Granted, conds
06-1361	Portal Golf & Country Club	Temporary construction sign (retrospective)	Granted
06 -1303	52-54 High St	Reposition doors, create ramp, use of 54 as coffee shop	Granted

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_